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Mr. John T. Elliff Select Committee on Intelligence United States Senate Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear John:

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STAT STAT I am writing in response to your request to a member of my staff for endorsement of a statement that Senator Walter Huddleston could make publicly concerning the ban on assassination in Executive Order 12333. In particular you wanted the statement to address the scope of the Executive Order's coverage and the Intelligence Community's compliance with it. We have reviewed closely the statement that you provided with your request and have the following thoughts.

As you know, the prohibition contained in Executive Order 12333 is explicit and this is a prohibition with which the Intelligence Community complies. As always, we stand accountable to our Congressional Oversight Committees concerning our compliance with this and every other provision of the Executive Order. We believe this statement adequately addresses any public concerns regarding this issue.

Sincerely,

/s/Charles A. Briggs

Charles A. Briggs Director, Office of Legislative Liaison

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